

Volunteer Workers Aid Colden In Campaign For Re-election

Depending on his many friends and supporters of Franklin Delano Roosevelt to return him to Congress, Representative Charles J. Colden is this week completing a six weeks' whirlwind campaign for re-election.

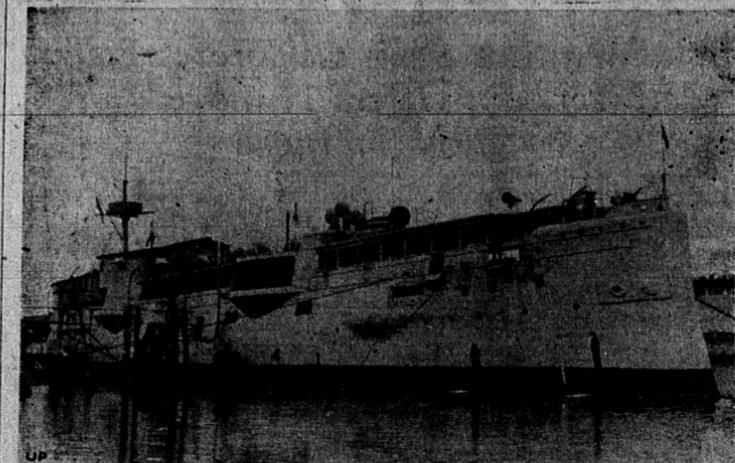
"Those who want President Roosevelt four more years," states Mr. Colden, "doubtless recognize that President Roosevelt must have experienced, loyal men to carry on with in order to secure the best results for our country.

"To secure social justice, to rehabilitate human beings, and to rehabilitate a continent against floods, droughts and starvation, is a huge undertaking for any nation. No President can accomplish good without a co-operating Congress to assist him.

Has Done His Best
"No man can please all people all the time but I think I am entitled to re-election to Congress because I have done my best every hour that I have had the privilege of representing the people of the 17th district. And I must confess that I have felt mighty good of late to know that no time in my public life have I ever had so many volunteer workers in my behalf, as in

this election.
"In addition to my support of the New Deal legislation, I desire to call attention to the many millions of dollars which have been spent for improvements and labor in my district during the past four years.

Many Improvements
"The larger improvements include the new federal building and post office at San Pedro costing more than \$500,000; a new postoffice at Torrance costing \$52,279; a new immigration and naturalization station is to be built costing \$585,000; a new navy airport is to be built on Terminal Island costing a half million dollars. Almost \$3,000,000 is being spent in extending the breakwater; \$800,000 has been appropriated for a federal penitentiary on Reservation point. San Pedro has a new school building costing almost \$400,000. Over 30 schools in the 17th Congressional district have received



The U. S. S. Alton, famed as the U. S. S. Chicago, flagship of the White Squadron of the Spanish-American War, was lost while en route to San Francisco from Honolulu. The obsolete battleship was destined for a junk yard.

Historic Vessel Lost

large sums from the federal government for rehabilitation and improvements. Many streets have been constructed and improved. Miles of sewers and flood control projects costing

hundreds of thousands of dollars are under way.

Proud of Record
"Libraries, auditoriums, water works, park improvements have been constructed for the use of

the citizens of the 17th district. The WPA, the PWA and other governmental agency projects are too numerous to mention.

"I am proud of my record. I am proud of having assisted

Mrs. Mary Ekey Passes Away

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the A. M. Gamby Mortuary in Lomita for Mrs. Mary Wallace Ekey, 81, who passed away Sunday morning at a rest home in Gardena. Mrs. Ekey had made her home for the past 11 years with her daughter, Mrs. Lillie Patterson, 20054 Lomita boulevard, and had been in California for 16 years. She was a native of Pennsylvania.

Services were conducted by Rev. Rothgeb, of the Calvary church in Lomita. Interment was made at Roosevelt Memorial Park.

Mrs. Ekey leaves one son, Blair Lungren, of San Pedro; one daughter, Mrs. Lillie Patterson, of Lomita; two brothers, Blair Wallace, of Passaic, N. J.; Ward Wallace, of Lomita; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Corrigan, of Lomita, Mrs. Ellen Port, of Tyrone, Pa., and four grandchildren.

President Roosevelt in the wonderful program. And as a member of Congress during the last four years, I have struggled daily to be worthy of the office which the citizens have the 17th Congressional district have given me."

Assessed Value Of Utilities Is Increased

Valuation of public utilities in Torrance has been placed at \$2,699,760 by the county assessor's office for taxation purposes for 1936-37, it was learned today at the office of Assessor Ed W. Hopkins at the Hall of Justice.

This is an increase of \$257,000 over the valuation of \$2,442,040 placed upon local property of all utility companies by the county assessor last year. Figures in both instances are those before equalization by the state board of equalization, which made but slight change last year. Final valuations cannot be given at this time because the state board does not complete its hearings until Aug. 25, it was explained.

Lower In Long Beach
Utility valuations in Los Angeles city were upped more than \$3,000,000, while in Long Beach, second largest city, they were lowered nearly \$100,000. They were raised in Pasadena and reduced in Glendale.

Total valuation of utilities in the 44 cities was given as \$211,457,680 for this year, as com-

pared with \$208,006,440 last year, according to the assessor's figures. Still to be added to this is the valuation of utilities in unincorporated area, which last year was some \$35,000,000, bringing the grand total to well over a quarter of a billion dollars.

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